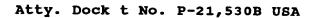
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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Please amend the above-feferenced application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-11 without prejudice.

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## REMARKS

Consideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is requested respectfully.

## I. Status and Election of Claims

Claims 12-17 are presented. No claims have been added or amended, and Claims 1-11, identified as Group I as set forth in the Detailed Action, mailed October 2, 2000 (the "Detailed Action"), have been canceled without prejudice. Accordingly, applicant elects Claims 12-17, identified as Group II in the Detailed Action and drawn to a method of making a composite fabric, for further prosecution in this application.

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## CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, early and favorable action is requested respectfully.

Respectfully submitted,

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